

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln. No: 10/565,859
Applicant: Makoto Funabiki et al.
Filed: January 24, 2006
Title: MOBILE COMMUNICATION METHOD, MOBILE
COMMUNICATION APPARATUS, HOME AGENT APPARATUS,
ACCESS ROUTER INFORMATION SERVER APPARATUS,
AND MOBILE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM
T.C./A.U.: 2463
Examiner: Mohammad S. Anwar
Confirmation No.: 7945
Docket No.: MAT-8809US

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

An interview was conducted on July 14, 2011 with Examiner Anwar and Applicants' attorneys regarding the above-identified application.

During the interview, Applicants' representatives discussed claim 1 with respect to the Takusagawa and Nakatsugawa references. Applicants' explained that claim 1 recited the determination by the mobile apparatus, whether the source access router was compatible or not with the Fast mobile IP. Applicants' representatives further explained that based on this determination, the mobile apparatus either instructs the source router to perform Fast mobile IP or instructs the home agent to buffer packets and forward those packets to a new access router.

Applicant's representatives then also explained to the Examiner that the Takusagawa reference only diverts packets through the diverging point router for efficiency purposes (not based on whether the old router is compatible with Fast mobile IP). Furthermore, Nakatsugawa's "end message" indicates that the routers are positioned around the perimeter of the network (the "end message" is not related to the compatibility of the router with fast mobile IP). Thus, neither of the references suggest determining whether the access router is

compatible or not with Fast mobile IP and then performing operations based on that determination.

After consulting with his supervisor, Examiner Anwar stated that the current claims overcome the cited art. Examiner Anwar stated that upon filing a formal response the rejections would be withdrawn, and that a new search would have to be performed.

Respectfully submitted,


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